

Examiner-Initiated Interview Summary

Application No.

09/991,287

Applicant(s)

STROBEL, RICHARD W.

Examiner

John J. Zimmerman

Art Unit

1775

All Participants:(1) John J. Zimmerman.(2) Robert H. Walat (Reg. No. 46,324).**Status of Application:** _____

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Date of Interview: 6 January 2005**Time:** 11:30 am**Type of Interview:**☒ Telephonic☐ Video Conference☐ Personal (Copy given to: ☐ Applicant ☐ Applicant's representative)Exhibit Shown or Demonstrated: ☐ Yes ☒ No

If Yes, provide a brief description:

Part I.

Rejection(s) discussed:

all pending rejections

Claims discussed:

all pending claims

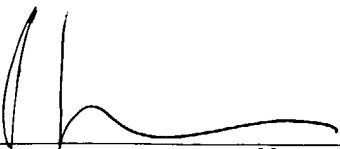
Prior art documents discussed:

*general discussion of all art of record***Part II.**

SUBSTANCE OF INTERVIEW DESCRIBING THE GENERAL NATURE OF WHAT WAS DISCUSSED:

*See Continuation Sheet***Part III.**

- ☒ It is not necessary for applicant to provide a separate record of the substance of the interview, since the interview directly resulted in the allowance of the application. The examiner will provide a written summary of the substance of the interview in the Notice of Allowability.
- ☐ It is not necessary for applicant to provide a separate record of the substance of the interview, since the interview did not result in resolution of all issues. A brief summary by the examiner appears in Part II above.


JOHN J. ZIMMERMAN
PRIMARY EXAMINER

(Examiner/SPE Signature)

(Applicant/Applicant's Representative Signature – if appropriate)

Continuation of Substance of Interview including description of the general nature of what was discussed: It was agreed to amend the pending claims by replacing all instances of "electrical connector" with "automotive mating electrical connector". It was discussed that automotive mating electrical connectors are understood by those in the art to be plug-type mating electrical connectors as evidenced by the discussion in the specification of fretting corrosion by micromotion, hardness, cycle life, as well as undesired fusing to which these types of mated connectors are sometimes prone. The examiner agreed that an "automotive mating electrical connector" is a type of electrical connector that has a known meaning to one of ordinary skill in the electrical connector art and that automotive mating electrical connectors are distinct in both type and considerations from those of electrical connectors that are soldered.